

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 152 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333



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## INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY AUGUST 26, 2021 09:30-10:30

ZOOM: <a href="https://maine-ems-gov.zoom.us/j/91542570561">https://maine-ems-gov.zoom.us/j/91542570561</a>

## **MINUTES**

Call to Order at 09:35

Members Present: Tim Beals, Joe Kellner, Amy Drinkwater

Members Absent: Judy Gerrish, Laura Downing, Joe Conley

Staff: Melissa Adams, Griffin Bourassa

Office of Attorney General (OAG): Ron Guay

Guest: Dan Masselli (joined at 09:45)

"The mission of Maine EMS is to promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care with standards for all providers. All members of this board/committee should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Board/Committee, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent."

## Case Reviews

1. Informal Review (09:37) – Case 21-192

**Summary 21-192:** A new applicant for an EMT license disclosed convictions for theft from 2006.

MOTION: The Committee recommends resolving case 21-192 by issuing the license. (Kellner, seconded by Drinkwater; unanimous of those present)

Roll call vote: Kellner - yes

Drinkwater - yes

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Beals - yes

2. Informal Review (09:47) – Case 21-194

**Summary 21-194:** A licensee submitted an upgrade application for an AEMT license disclosing an OUI conviction from 2018.

MOTION: The Committee recommends issuing the license upgrade along with a letter of guidance reminding the licensee of their duty to report certain information to the Board; the letter is to be kept on file for four years. (Drinkwater, second by Kellner; unanimous of those present)

Roll call vote:

Kellner - yes Drinkwater – yes Beals – yes

3. Informal Review (09:52) – Case 21-169

**Summary 21-169:** A licensee reportedly assaulted a patient.

MOTION: To continue the case to allow staff to obtain records from the fire department regarding any investigation or actions taken regarding this incident with the licensee including the use of a subpoena, if necessary. (Beals, second by Kellner; unanimous of those present)

Roll call vote:

Kellner - yes

Drinkwater – yes

Beals - yes

Old Business

**New Business** 

Gerrish emailed staff before the meeting that she would be unable to attend but nominated Tim Beals to continue as the Chairperson of the Investigations Committee. In the meeting, Tim Beals acknowledged that he would accept the nomination. No other nominations were made.

*MOTION:* To recommend that Tim Beals continue as Chairperson for the Maine EMS Investigations Committee. (Kellner, seconded by Drinkwater)

Roll call vote: Unable to complete the vote as Drinkwater lost connection and did not rejoin the meeting. This item will be continued to the Investigations portion of the EMS Board Meeting on September 1, 2021.

Next meeting will be Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 9:00

MOTION: To adjourn. (Beal, second by Kellner)

Adjourned at 10:10